

Seminar on

**A PERSONAL ACCOUNT OF THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL EXTERNAL REVIEW OF  
TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY'S ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING PROGRAM**

by

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**Abstract**

This talk is a personal account of the experience as a member of the International External Review Committee of the Electronic Engineering Program of Tsinghua University which took place in April, 2018. The talk begins with the preparations before the on site visit, including a critical study of the methodologies used and the recent results obtained of the four Global Universities Rankings (ARWU, QS, THE, US News). With the permission of Tsinghua's Electronic Eng. Dept. Head and Deputy Dept. Head, the talk proceeds to describe the on site visit, the aspirations of the Tsinghua EE program, its distinctive features, and some of the recommendations of the Review Committee. The talk ends with a few personal observations as well as a question which the audience is invited to ponder.

**Biography**

Kai Fong Lee received his B.Sc. and M.Sc. from Queen's University, Canada, and his Ph.D. from Cornell University, all in electrical engineering. He is Dean Emeritus, School of Engineering at the University of Mississippi, where he served from 2001 to 2011. His prior academic positions included the founding Head of the Dept. of Electronic Eng. at the City University of Hong Kong, Chair and LaPierre Professor of Electrical Eng. at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Chair and Professor of Electrical Eng. at the University of Toledo, Ohio, and Reader in Electronics at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He also held research positions at UCLA, UCSD, NASA, and several other National Laboratories in the U.S. Prof. Lee is a Life Fellow of IEEE. He received the John Kraus Antenna Award of the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society in 2009. While his main interests since retirement in 2011 are non-engineering related, Prof. Lee had nevertheless given short courses on patch antenna designs at City University of Hong Kong in 2011 and 2015, and at National University of Singapore in 2012. He was invited to speak on the history of the development of microstrip antennas at the 2016 IEEE AP-S meeting in Puerto Rico. In 2017, he completed, with Prof. K. M. Luk and Dr. H. W. Lai, the second edition of the book "Microstrip Patch Antennas". In April 2018, he was invited to serve as a member of the International External Review Committee on Electronic Engineering of Tsinghua University.

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